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Joint Legislative Committee on Local Government
North Carolina General Assembly
Legislative Building
16 West Jones Street
Raleigh, North Carolina 27601
Attention: Committee Chairs and Committee Assistant

Fiscal Research Division North Carolina General Assembly Legislative Office Building-Suite 619 200 North Salisbury Street Raleigh, NC 27603-5925

RE: Financing of A Viper Radio System and Upgrades to the Paging System by the County of Columbus, North Carolina.

In accordance with Section 120-157.2(a) of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the County of Columbus, North Carolina hereby notifies you of its intent to utilize an installment purchase contract under North Carolina General Statute 160A, Article3, Section 20. The principal amount is for \$4,519,690 for upgrading to the Viper Radio System and upgrade to the current paging system. This project was approved by The Columbus County Commissioners on December 3, 2019.

The County of Columbus anticipates that the North Carolina Local Government Commission will consider approval of the issuance of this proposed debt at its meeting scheduled for March 3. 2020.

Count of Columbus, North Carolina

Bobbie J. Faircloth, Finance Director